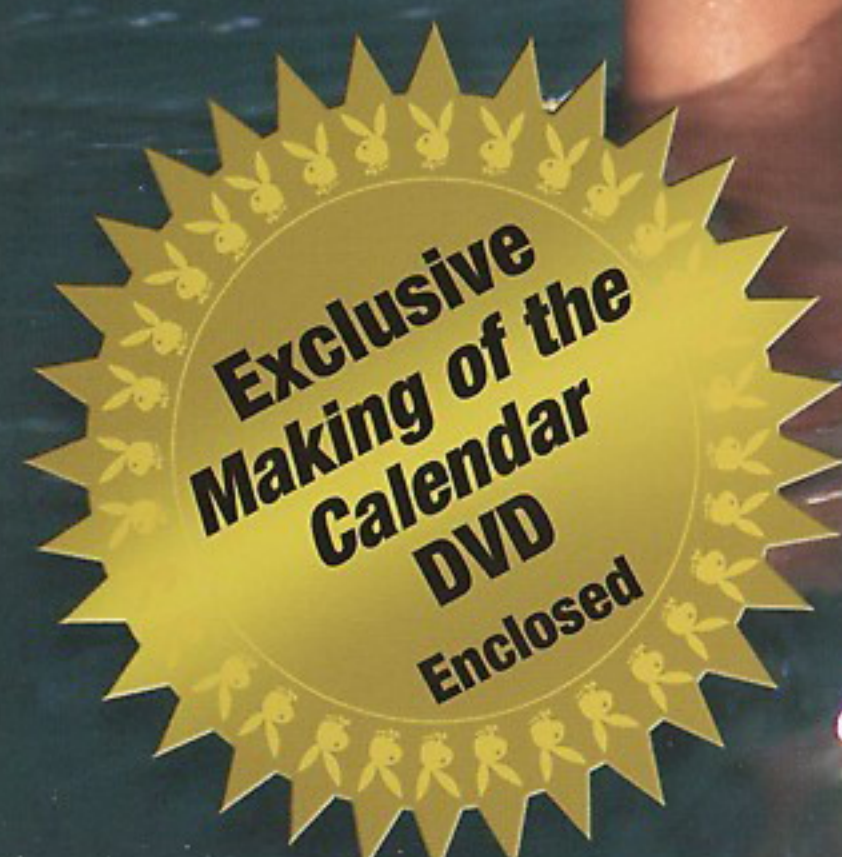


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2005 Swimsuit Calendar

Serria Tawan Miss November 2002

Serria Tawan shares a common hometown with Playboy - Chicago, Illinois. However, there is nothing common about Serria. Her name comes from one of her father's favorite spots, Sierra, Nevada, which was then tweaked by her mother to become the unique name of Serria. Her parents knew she needed a distinctive name to match her inimitable sense of humor, beauty and mind. Serria had something special, which she took to Los Angeles in pursuit of an education and an acting career two years ago. She jointly finished her undergraduate degree in finance, earned a license as a securities broker, and got steady work as a model and actress. After landing small parts in several films, Serria was introduced to the Playboy world by Playmate Daphne Duplaix on the set of "The Parkers."



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The Driveway



The Grotto



The Garden



The Pool



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The Mansion

The Calendar was photographed on the 5.6 acre grounds of the historic and internationally known "Playboy Mansion". The home of Playboy magazine founder Hugh Hefner, the Playboy Mansion is a mecca for celebrities. Its verdant setting and serene ambiance offer escape from the fast pace and bustle of its urban location.

The 30 room mansion in the Holmby section of Brentwood, an upscale area of Los Angeles, was originally built in 1927 for the son of Arthur Letts, founder of the Broadway department stores. The mansion next became the residence of noted industrial physicist Louis D. Statham until Miss Barbi Benton, Hef's then girlfriend, discovered the property in early 1971. With a vision of creating an extraordinary setting for his guests to enjoy, Playboy editor-in-chief Hugh Hefner acquired the property. The original purchase price of \$1,050,000 seems modest today, but was, at the time, the most expensive private real estate transaction of the kind in L.A. history. Hef continued to build the value of the property, adding a pool, tennis courts and many other special features as part of some \$12,400,000 in improvements made over the years.

A legendary man, Hugh Hefner created a legendary mansion home to host friends, Playmates and celebrities and the perfect place to live the good life.



The Grotto

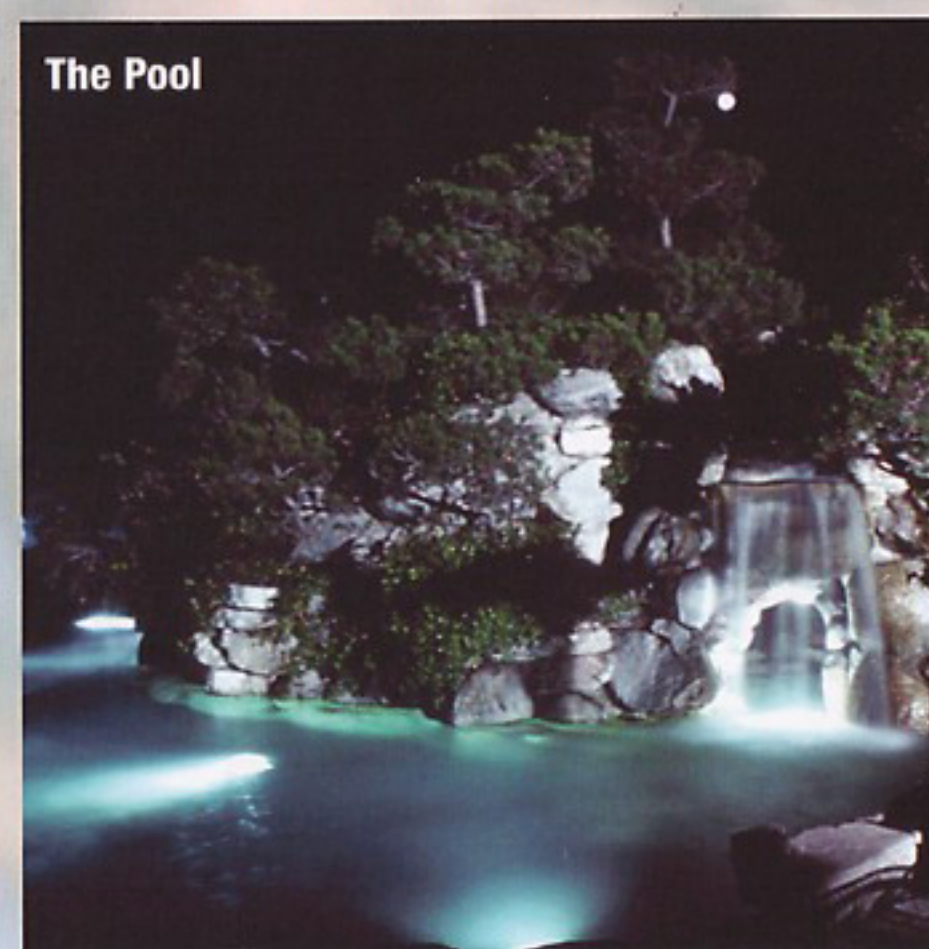
Hugh Hefner wanted a paradise where, when guests arrived, they would feel they were in Shangri-La - a place they could not find anywhere else. Noted architect Ron Dirsmith took on this challenge and came up with the idea of building the Grotto as if it was pristine and prehistoric, with the appearance of natural occurring rock and free running water. After extensive research into ancient artifacts and painstaking attention to detail, that vision was realized. Bob White, a glass artist from Chicago, was even commissioned to do five fused glass panels in the ceiling of the sky dome of the Grotto. Looking up at those panels, one will note that they are actually designs of 400-million-year-old mosquito-like creatures trapped in amber.



The Jungle

From a young age, Hugh Hefner was drawn to wild animals. The generous expanse of Playboy Mansion West allowed him to create his own animal sanctuary,

which now is home to numerous unique animals that would have otherwise been homeless. With the help of experts in animal care, Hef built a bird house to provide shelter for many rare birds and habitats for families of monkeys. Experts from the San Diego Zoo were even hired to train a family of squirrel monkeys that Hef brought to live on the property. Flamingos, peacocks and other exotic birds roam the property, greeting guests by the pool. Playboy Mansion West also has its share of domesticated animals, with a handful of dogs owned by Hef and by his girlfriends that live with him at the mansion.



The Pool

During the first two years after acquiring the Mansion, the construction and renovation proceeded at a staggering pace. Although Hef hadn't learned to swim, he knew his mansion paradise would not be complete without a pool pulled from a fantasy. The task of engineering and building the pool fell to construction supervisor Dick Hall. Within one summer, the entire pool was finished - complete with rock formations, Asian-inspired landscaping, waterfalls and a secret entrance to the Grotto.

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Hiromi Oshima

Miss June 2004



While living in Japan, Hiromi Oshima never entertained the idea of becoming a model. Her body was much more curvaceous than the normal Japanese woman, and her self-consciousness about her differences made her second guess her attractiveness. It wasn't until a chance meeting with a Playboy photographer during a trip to Florida, that Hiromi began to see the shape of things to come. Now a native to Florida's beaches, Hiromi is one of Playboy's newest Playmates and she spends her days designing her own line of lingerie, teaching Japanese language and staying fit jogging on the beach.

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Lauren Michelle Hill

Miss February 2001



Lauren Michelle Hill owes her start to her modeling agency owner mother, who raised Lauren and her siblings to balance a modeling and acting career with a healthy personal life in their Columbia, South Carolina home. Even Lauren's cat got his chance in front of the camera, appearing in the movie "That Darn Cat". Lauren modeled clothes for department store catalogs and posed for art on Hasbro toy boxes during her younger years, and attracted the eyes of film producers as a teenager, in hair care advertisements. She has since been featured in the movie "Heavyweights" with Ben Stiller and on the television series "Baywatch." But don't let this model history fool you, Lauren Michelle Hill is a sports fan at heart - this USC journalism major and cheerleader grew up watching sports all the time. Her passion for sports instilled a fervent drive in her - "You're out there to win, giving all for yourself and the team."

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Carmella DeCesare

Miss April 2003



**Playmate
of the Year
2004**

The impish smile on Playboy's new Playmate of the Year, Carmella DeCesare, comes from knowing that she was not always the sexy fem we know today. In high school, Carmella was a self-confessed awkward girl. She had not come into her own yet, and with big red glasses and no style, Carmella was the girl everybody liked to tease. Her mother and stepfather reassured her that the boys who made fun of her then were going to want to date her later. Although she would not believe them at the time, Carmella has since learned that her parents were right. Now a college senior studying business administration, Carmella is learning to balance her education with her new modeling career, as well as all of the attention from the boys.

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Sandra Hubby

Miss March 2004



Although Sandra Hubby says she started daydreaming about being a model at the age of nine, she wasn't exactly the type to priss and preen. "Growing up I never cared about looking perfect every day," she says. "I would rather wear jeans and hang out with the guys." Sandra spent her time raising and training horses and still helps out around the family farm, which now has about 80 horses, including her own horse Angus. Always the tough cowgirl, after high school Sandra planned on becoming a marine in order to "do stuff females wouldn't normally do, like drive a tank or become a helicopter crew chief." Sandra did a career 180 just before she was to take her final oath and ship out, and instead followed her early dream of becoming a model. Sandra has since earned her stripes, appearing in the Meg Ryan movie "Against the Ropes" and modeling for Hawaiian Tropic.

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Irina Voronina

Miss January 2001



Born in Dzerzhinsk, Russia, Irina Voronina spends precious little time in her homeland these days, as a blossoming career in modeling takes her to cities across the globe: Milan, Basel, Madrid and, most recently, Los Angeles. From a young age, Irina had worldly taste, enjoying literature by Shakespeare, Chekhov and Tolstoy. When she was old enough, she capitalized on her beauty and brains and began a successful modeling career. Although she has lost a bit of her born resistance to the cold after working in the likes of Los Angeles, she has remained true to her Russian roots and currently lives in a chilled alpine city to remind her of home.

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Cara Wakelin

Miss November 1999



Cara Wakelin is a global beauty - born in Melbourne, Australia; living in Toronto, Canada most of her life; and now spending much of her time in Los Angeles pursuing a modeling and acting career. Never the lazy one, Cara graduated from McMaster University with degrees in philosophy and sociology, and also went to art school for five years pursuing her love for drawing. Her artwork depicts wildlife and other forms of nature, which probably stems from her array of strange and unique pets over her life. Her furry, and sometimes scaled, friends consisted of anoles, iguanas, boa constrictors - and at one point Cara had 13 rabbits, 4 cats, 1 dog, and many frogs and fish. When Cara is not working, she enjoys fishing at her cottage, by the lake, in Ontario, Canada.

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Karen McDougal

Miss December 1997



**Playmate
of the Year
1998**

As a small-town girl in Sawyer, Michigan, Karen McDougal was a tomboy until a late-teens growth spurt transformed her into a beauty queen. Karen comes from a large family, with 12 aunts and uncles on her mother's side and dozens of cousins. Being surrounded by so many children growing up, Karen developed a strong love for children and a passion for teaching. She is now a preschool teacher, who doubles as a Playmate and a Venus International Swimwear model, and is thinking about making her family even larger...if she can find the right man.

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Christina Santiago

Miss August 2002



**Playmate
of the Year
2003**

Born on October 15, 1981 in Playboy's hometown of Chicago, Illinois, Christina Santiago knew from a young age that she would follow in Hugh Hefner's footsteps and make her way to Los Angeles. Always ready to make the most out of good opportunities that knock on her door, Christina readily went after her spot as Miss August 2002. "Hef knows I'm a strong person and sees potential in me," says Christina about her experience with Playboy. She must have potential, as she was named Playboy's Playmate of the Year in 2003. Christina is looking to take this good opportunity and turn it into even more, setting her sights for a career in film and television.

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Pennelope Jimenez

Miss March 2003



Pennelope Jimenez was born in San Diego, California, to a Spanish father and a mother of French descent. While her family stems from Ensenada, Mexico, Pennelope remained a California local. A full time student, Pennelope majors in sports medicine and models and acts on the side to support her education. Pennelope's credits include "Scorpion King", "Spy TV" and a James Bond video game commercial. While Pennelope might someday be your physical therapist, you will likely be seeing her on the big and small screens in the meantime.

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Marketa Janska

Miss July 2003



Marketa Janska was born in the Czech Republic, growing up in a small village outside of Prague that she describes as down-to-earth. She credits her ability to remain grounded during her modeling pursuit to her upbringing and hometown. In addition to a beautiful face, Marketa also has bragging rights to a beautiful voice. Marketa has proven she can make it as a model, and is now taking a leap in the music industry.

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Krista Kelly

Miss April 2004



Before a modeling scout spotted Miss April 2004 Krista Kelly, in a crowd near a local dance club, the then 15 year old beauty was more likely to break a nail than paint one. "Growing up I was a tomboy - very athletic. I hated Barbie dolls." However, her athletic activities did wonders for her figure, and she soon left the soccer field for the photographer's studio.

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Teri Harrison

Miss October 2002



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Teri Harrison is the product of a multi-cultural family - a German father and a Japanese mother. "Sushi and bratwurst...that's my life", Teri jokes. But, the 21 year old Florida native relishes in her diversity. Her background and family traditions allow her an intimate peek into a larger world than most people, and adds to her unique beauty. Teri also has a unique sense of humor, as she explains of her family photo album, "I have six sumo wrestler-looking uncles and a tiny Japanese grandmother, so I stick out like a Q-tip in family pictures."



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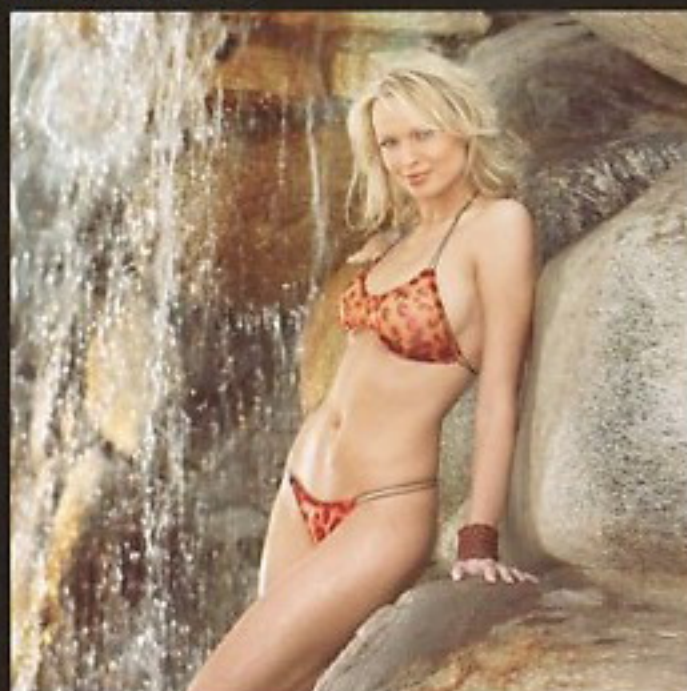
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